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where C comprises an outer monolithic layer containing a hydrophilic polymeric resin capable of absorbing and desorbing moisture and providing a barrier to water and microorganisms, said C layer being substantially free of particulate filler; and,

D comprises a microporous adhesive core layer for bonding said C layers together, wherein said C layer substantially prevents the buildup of particulate filler material on a die during formation of said multilayer breathable film, and wherein said micropores are constructed and arranged to provide the passage of gaseous water but substantially prevent the passage of liquid water.

27. A film according to claim 26, wherein said layers have the following volume ratio:

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about 2 to about 98% by volume for said D layer; and

about 1 to about 49% by volume for each C layer, the volume % being based on the total volume of said breathable film.

29. A film according to claim 26, wherein said layers have the following volume ratio:

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about 90 to about 98% by volume for said D layer; and

about 1 to about 5% by volume for each C layer, the volume % being based on the total volume of said breathable film.

Please add claim 32 as follows:

--32. A multilayer breathable film having the combination of properties of:

- (i) providing a barrier to microorganisms; and
- (ii) providing a barrier to blood and bodily fluids;

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said breathable film comprising at least a coextruded three-layer film having as a minimum the structure C:D:C; wherein

C comprises an outer monolithic film layer containing a hydrophilic polymeric resin capable of absorbing and desorbing moisture and providing a barrier to water and microorganisms, said C layer being substantially free of particulate filler; and,

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D comprises an adhesive core film layer for bonding said C layers together, the adhesive core film layer including micropores, the micropores being constructed and arranged to permit the passage of gaseous water and to provide a barrier to the passage of liquid water; and, further wherein

the adhesive core film layer is bonded to the outer monolithic film layers along an interface, the bonding at the interface being substantially complete and uniform.--

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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The present invention comprises a stretched, multilayer breathable film that provides a barrier to microorganisms, blood and bodily fluids that is manufactured by simultaneously